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RIVERSIDE POLICE UNVEIL NEW ALARM ENFORCEMENT WEBSITE

Riverside, CA – The Riverside Police Department has launched a new Police Alarm Management System, coordinated by our Alarm Enforcement Unit. This online system will enable home and business security alarm users within the city of Riverside to purchase and pay for the required alarm permit, and/or pay any penalty fees incurred for excessive false alarm activations.

Alarm permits are currently a one-time fee of \$16.00. Through the new online system, you will be able to update your permit with "Responsible Party" or "Contact Information." Business owners can link all of their accounts together under one for efficiency and convenience. Also, an alarm permit customer will be able to easily view their yearly alarm activation counts and invoices.

As per Riverside Municipal Code Chapter 5.58, alarm user permits are required on premises owned, rented, or leased if an alarm system is to be installed. Alarm activations are one of the more frequent calls our dispatch center gets with over 13,000 received last year. On average, 97 percent of alarm activation calls are deemed false, so it is very important for people to make sure their systems are functioning properly to avoid potential fees for multiple police responses. But when the police need to contact an alarm system owner due to an emergency or actual



burglary, it is just as important to have the most updated contact information. Our new website allows alarm permit users to keep that information current.

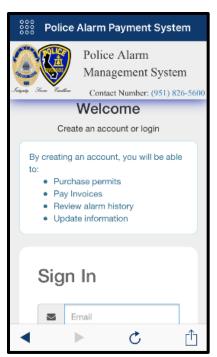
Go to https://www.riversideca.gov/rpd/support/records/alarm/aldefault.asp to access the new Alarm Management System. New users can create a new account to purchase an alarm permit. Existing permit holders will use your permit number to link to your account. Please contact the Alarm Enforcement Unit at (951) 826-5600 if you need assistance in obtaining your permit number.

With today's technology, the Riverside Police Department is ready to meet the needs of our community members who will have the capability of managing their accounts and making payments quickly and easily. Additionally, access to the new website will be available through our mobile application, which can be downloaded for free on Apple and Android smartphones under "Riverside Police Department."

For more information about this new system, as well as other helpful links to avoid false alarm response fees and better protect your home or business, visit https://www.riversideca.gov/rpd/support/records/alarm/aldefault.asp. You can also contact the Alarm Enforcement Unit at (951) 826-5600 or email rpdalarms@riversideca.gov.







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